

REMARKS

The Examiner has required Applicant to elect one of the following patentably distinct species:

- Species I. a first embodiment, depicted in Figures 2A-2D;
- Species II. a second embodiment, depicted in Figures 4A-4C; or
- Species III. a third embodiment, depicted in Figures 5A-5B.

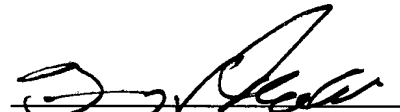
Applicant hereby elects Species II, a second embodiment, depicted in Figures 4A-4C, and believes that claims 6-10 are readable thereon. Applicant reserves the right to submit any Divisional patent applications directed toward the non-elected species.

An early action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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